

INDICTMENT NO. CR-2100168

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF GLYNN  
STATE OF GEORGIA

MARCH TERM 2021

**THE STATE OF GEORGIA vs. JACQUELYN LEE JOHNSON**

**COUNT 1: VIOLATION OF OATH OF PUBLIC OFFICER, O.C.G.A. § 16-10-1**  
**COUNT 2: OBSTRUCTION AND HINDERING OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER,**  
**O.C.G.A. § 16-10-24**

Prosecutor

*[Signature]*  
**CHRISTOPHER M. CARR**

Attorney General, State of Georgia

Received and filed in open court this 2nd day of September, 2021.

*True*

BILL

*Edgar Simeron*

Foreperson

*Rachel Moore, Deputy*  
Clerk, Superior Court

The Defendant, **JACQUELYN LEE JOHNSON**, waives being formally arraigned and pleads not guilty.

The defendant, **JACQUELYN LEE JOHNSON**, hereby changes his/her plea from one of not guilty to one of Guilty.

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Assistant District Attorney

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Assistant District Attorney

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

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Attorney for Defendant

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Attorney for Defendant

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**VERDICT**

We, the jury, find the Defendant, \_\_\_\_\_.

This the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foreperson

**GEORGIA, GLYNN COUNTY  
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF SAID COUNTY**

The Grand Jurors selected, chosen and sworn for the County of Glynn, to wit:

**1. Edward Sinderson, Foreperson**

- 2. Sherry Jowers
- ~~3. Kathleen Parker~~
- 4. Darrell Zanders, Vice-Foreperson
- 5. Sandra Dunham
- 6. Bennett Palmer
- 7. Carleigh Lundy
- 8. Tai Wilson
- ~~9. Shalyn Townes~~
- 10. Desiree Bell
- 11. Ervin Sweeting Jr.
- 12. Eric Gill
- 13. Cheyanne Crews

- ~~14. Lashunda Welch~~
- ~~15. Tawana Hardee~~
- 16. Vanassa Goethe
- 17. Shelby Mussara, Secretary
- ~~18. Lawrence Bradham~~
- ~~19. Kenneth Turner~~
- ~~20. James Smith~~
- ~~21. Sherry Akins~~
- 22. Rebecca Johnson
- 23. Michael Lentini
- 24. Bruce Lane
- ~~25. Margarita Parrish~~
- 26. Katherine Harris

**COUNT 1**

In the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, charge and accuse **JACQUELYN LEE JOHNSON** with the offense of **VIOLATION OF OATH OF PUBLIC OFFICER** in violation of **O.C.G.A. § 16-10-1**, for that the said accused, in the County aforesaid, on or about February 23, 2020, while a public officer, did willfully and intentionally violate the terms of her oath as prescribed by law, to wit, O.C.G.A. § 15-18-2, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace, and dignity thereof, as follows:

At all times relevant to this indictment, the accused was the District Attorney of the Brunswick Judicial Circuit, a public officer.

Said accused had previously taken the oath of District Attorney on or about August 12, 2010. Said oath included the following language: "I, Jackie Johnson, do swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully and impartially, and without fear, favor, or affection, discharge my duties as DISTRICT ATTORNEY, and will take only my lawful compensation . . . SO HELP ME GOD!"

On or about February 23, 2020, said accused violated the above provision of her oath of District Attorney by showing favor and affection to Greg McMichael during the investigation into the shooting death of Ahmaud Arbery, thereby failing to discharge her duties as district attorney, to wit: said accused violated Article I, Section I, Paragraph XXX of the Georgia Constitution, a duty required by law, by failing to treat Ahmaud Arbery and his family fairly and with dignity when, after the shooting of Ahmaud Arbery, said accused sought the assistance of Waycross Judicial Circuit District Attorney George E. Barnhill and, after disqualifying her office, recommended DA Barnhill to the Attorney General's Office for appointment as the case prosecutor without disclosing that said accused had previously sought the assistance of DA Barnhill on the case.

## COUNT 2

In the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, the Grand Jurors aforesaid further charge and accuse **JACQUELYN LEE JOHNSON** with the offense of **OBSTRUCTION AND HINDERING A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**, in violation of **O.C.G.A. § 16-10-24**, for that the said accused, in the County aforesaid, on or about February 23, 2020, did knowingly and willfully hinder Stephanie Oliver and Stephan Lowrey, law enforcement officers with Glynn County Police Department, in the lawful discharge of their official duties by directing that Travis McMichael should not be placed under arrest, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace, and dignity thereof.

GLYNN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

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Christopher M. Carr, Attorney General  
State of Georgia

John E. Fowler, Deputy Attorney General  
State of Georgia

Blair L. McGowan, District Attorney Pro Tempore  
Brunswick Judicial Circuit, and  
Senior Assistant Attorney General  
State of Georgia

### List of Witnesses:

Jamy Steinberg, GBI  
George E. Barnhill  
George F. Barnhill  
Mark Spaulding  
Liberty Stewart  
Rocky Bridges  
Michelle McIntire  
Karen Crittendon  
Bill Daras  
Stephanie Oliver  
Stephan Lowrey  
Sherry Gibbs  
Andy Beaver  
Tom Jump  
Parker Marcy  
Rod Nohilly